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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL

In re Application of: Bonner et al  
For: Methods And Apparatus For Accessing And Stabilizing An Area Of The Heart  
Serial No.: 10/622,147  
Filed: 07-17-2003



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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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We are transmitting herewith the attached:

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Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the materials enclosed herewith are brought to the attention of the Examiner as possibly being of interest in connection with the above-identified patent application.

Consideration of each of the documents listed on the attached Form 1449 is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. §609, Applicant further requests that a copy of the Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next Official Communication.

Respectfully submitted,

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